

~~44. An electronic communication system according to
claim 43, wherein said personal computer further includes a
video camera for capturing facial, hand, and finger signing
motions generated by said hearing impaired person.~~

~~45. An electronic communication system according to
claim 33, wherein said output means comprises means for
transmitting said text via telephone lines and said device
used by said hearing impaired person includes means for
converting said transmitted text to animated images.~~

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By the present amendment, claims 1, 12, and 26 have been amended to correct the defect set forth in the reissue Declaration. Additionally, new claims 33-45 have been added to the case. The new claims correct a defect in the original patent, which defect is also set forth in the Declaration in the above-identified newly filed reissue application.

An early action on the merits is hereby requested. Should the Examiner believe an additional amendment is needed to place the case in condition for allowance, he is invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$609.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-0184 to cover the additional claim fee and the fee for filing the reissue application. Should the Commissioner determine that an additional fee is due, he is hereby authorized to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 02-0184. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed herewith in connection with the deposit account charge.

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